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ARMY AND NAVY NEWS

EXAMINATIONS TODAY FOR SUBINSPECTORS

An examination will be held today at the naval station or as soon thereafter as possible for the purpose of establishing an eligible register of sub-inspectors for dredging with pay at \$3.00 per diem. The examination will be open to all seamen who can give evidence of experience in the kind of work for which they seek employment, and who are citizens of the United States. Persons now holding positions at the naval station will be admitted to competition on the same footing as other applicants.

A Negro Man Enter West Point.

For the first time in more than a quarter of a century, West Point is confronted with the possibility of having soon to admit a negro as a cadet. Officer R. Smith of Cheyenne, Wyo., is the negro, and he has been named as the alternate for the next Wyoming senatorial vacancy at the military academy. This vacancy in the Wyoming allotment is soon to occur. United States Senator Clarence Don Clark of Wyoming made the appointment, and should the principal designated for the cadetship—a white boy—fail in either his physical or mental examination, Smith would have the first call on the vacancy. As the percentage of those who pass the West Point entrance examinations is about one in four, it will be seen how excellent a chance the young negro from Cheyenne has of becoming a cadet.

The entrance of a negro into the West Point Corps of Cadets has always been the occasion for more or less trouble. Other officers, even those most in sympathy with the negro, have always frowned upon such appointments, for the moment that a negro enters the military academy he goes into "segregation," there to stay until he is graduated or dismissed for deficiency in conduct or studies. A negro cadet is never hazed. He is ostracized, and lives, so far as social and personal relations with the other cadets is concerned, a being absolutely apart, unrecognized except in the performance of the strictest military duties. Every minute it is brought home to him that his presence in the corps is unwelcome.

Good Reports from Atlantic Fleet.

Rear Admiral Sinton Schroeder, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet, has informed the navy department that several of the ships have made new speed records. The Connecticut, on her speed trial, has exceeded her designed speed of eighteen knots by more than a knot, while the Minnesota, the Kansas and the New Hampshire have exceeded their designed speed by more than three-fourths of a knot each. The Minnesota made 19.6 knots on her trial trip. Here is the despatch received:

"During the last week the fleet completed standardization and held four-hour full power trials. In power trials the Connecticut exceeded designed speed by more than one knot, the Minnesota, Kansas and New Hampshire, exceeding designed speed by more than three-quarters of a knot. In full power trials the Idaho and Mississippi exceeded designed speed, but all official reports have not been received. The personnel is in good spirits over results of full power trials."

"One regiment of seamen and a battalion of marines camped ashore for a fortnight for small arm target practice and infantry or artillery drills and camp life. Boat drills, under both oars and sails, are held daily. More than four thousand men who can not swim are being instructed in swimming daily. I have prepared the rifle butts and athletic grounds for use. One battleship is engaged in torpedo practice, and a boat gun target range has been laid out. The health of the personnel is excellent."

Robnett Loses Two Numbers.

WASHINGTON, February 11.—Asst. Secretary Whitlatch of the Navy Department has passed on the case of Pugmaster George P. Andl, U. S. N., and Post Assistant Surgeon Amos H. Robnett, who were charged with conduct unbecoming officers and gentlemen in assembling Doctor Cowles, a civilian, in the case of Andl the loss of numbers admitted by the court is omitted, and he is ordered released from arrest and returned to duty. In the case of Robnett the sentence is mitigated to a loss of two numbers in his grade, and he is ordered released from arrest and returned to duty.

The sentence of the court was that Robnett should lose two numbers in his grade. The charges against the two officers were preferred by Doctor Cowles, a civilian, who alleged that the officers had tried to extort from him \$10,000 for a favor. The charges were preferred by the court on January 11.

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the doctor. He admitted grappling with him and throwing him out, alleging that Cowles' language caused this action.

New Orleans, February 11.—It is announced that Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood will head the special fortifications board which is shortly to be appointed to make plans for the fortification of the Panama Canal. It is understood that the board will include a number of engineer officers, who are better equipped for the work in view than officers of the line of the Army.

It is intimated that the plan of fortifications decided upon will include strong forts at both entrances to the canal capable of rendering all approach impossible. Whether any form of fortification will be provided along the route of the canal is not known, but it is hardly reasonable to expect that there will be any attempt at defending any but the entrances, as it is evident that should either entrance be forced intermediate fortifications would be useless as a protection for the waterway.

Although the canal is to be considered neutral, and therefore closed to all belligerents, it is recognized that two countries at war, if powerful enough, would not hesitate to force the passage of the canal if something could be gained by doing so. An attempt might even be made to use the canal for war purposes in order to draw the United States into the difficulty.

As the construction of the canal will cost a vast sum of money, the canal itself will prove a valuable asset to the United States, and it is the part of wisdom to properly protect it from possible seizure in the event that the United States should become involved in war with a first-class military power. No matter what pledges nations may enter into to respect the neutrality of the canal, human nature is so constituted that such pledges would not count for much in the event of war.

During the past few years work has been steadily progressing on the fortifications at Hawaii and in the Philippines. These important possessions in the Pacific would be a source of danger and anxiety in the event of war if they were not prepared to make a stout resistance to any enemy that might attempt to establish a foothold in either. The strengthening of the defenses of Hawaii is particularly important, as the seizure of that group of islands by an active enemy would be a menace to our Pacific coastline, as Hawaii could be used as a convenient base of operations against our western coast.

Either we must abandon our pretensions as a colonial power or we must take steps to properly protect all our dependencies. The capture of any one of these outlying dependencies would be a serious blow to our national prestige and would make recapture necessary. It will prove much less costly to adequately fortify these possessions in time of peace, so as to be able to successfully hold them in the event of war, than to lose them at the outbreak of hostilities and later on have the uphill task of driving out the intruders at enormous sacrifices of blood and money.

Fortifications for Oahu.

WASHINGTON, January 25.—The fortification bill, carrying six millions, or nearly \$225,000 less than last year, which has already passed the house, passed the senate today. During the debate Senator Newlands of Nevada emphasized the necessity of the adequate protection of Hawaii in view of a possible conflict with Japan. Senator Warren, chairman of the military affairs committee, said that if the Philippines would be given independence, they would be made for the fortifications. Newlands said that he regarded the fortification of Pearl Harbor of vastly more importance than the Philippines in a great naval struggle. The Pacific had been predicted that the growing power of Japan must be met, and that the protection for the Hawaiian Islands is essential.

Want Fifty Submarines.

WASHINGTON, February 11.—Fifty submarines are wanted by the Pacific Coast States, and they propose that this fleet shall be built for the Navy at the rate of ten boats a year for the next five years. The delegates from California, Oregon and Washington, including all members of both the senate and the house, have made a definite program which will be presented to the house committee on naval affairs today.

Representatives Hagler, California; Ellis, Oregon; and Humphrey, Washington, were accompanied by the Pacific Coast delegates to the Pacific Coast States' conference, to be held at the Hotel McLaughlin, San Francisco, today. The principal agreement was made today by Hagler. He strengthened his position by quoting from the report of the naval board of strategy and of the committee on naval affairs.

It is the recommendation of the naval board of strategy and of the committee on naval affairs that the Pacific Coast States should have fifty submarines. The Pacific Coast States' conference, to be held at the Hotel McLaughlin, San Francisco, today, will consider this recommendation. The Pacific Coast States' conference, to be held at the Hotel McLaughlin, San Francisco, today, will consider this recommendation.

could always be on the lookout for the vessels of an enemy and frustrate an attack, which, as we are now situated, we would be practically powerless to resist."

Judge Roasted Officer.

SEATTLE, February 11.—In granting a decree of divorce to Mrs. Cynthia A. Caziare, wife of Lieut. Elliott Caziare, stationed at Vancouver Barracks, Washington, Judge J. T. Roland severely scored the Army officer for his conduct toward the woman.

"I am astounded that an officer of the Army of the United States should be guilty of cruelty toward a woman, and that woman his wife, as the evidence in this case has shown," said Judge Roland. "Always from my youth I have considered the uniform of the Army a badge of honor, and believed that the honor of an Army officer was to be guarded by him as the apple of his eye. The evidence in this case shows that this Army officer has been guilty of cruelty to a woman, that he has beaten his wife and accused her of crimes."

Caziare entered the regular Army as a private and worked his way up from the ranks. He has been stationed at Vancouver several years.

OAHU RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Outward.

For Waianae, Waiolua, Kahuku and Way Stations—9:15 a. m., 9:30 p. m.
For Pearl City, Ewa Mill and Way Stations—7:30 a. m., 9:15 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 2:15 p. m., 3:20 p. m., 5:15 p. m., 7:30 p. m., 11:15 p. m.
For Wahiawa and Lihala—10:20 a. m., 5:15 p. m., 7:30 p. m., 11:15 p. m.

Inward.

Arrive Honolulu from Kahuku, Waiolua and Waianae—8:36 a. m., 5:31 p. m.
Arrive Honolulu from Ewa Mill and Pearl City—7:45 a. m., 8:36 a. m., 11:02 a. m., 1:40 p. m., 4:26 p. m., 5:31 p. m., 7:30 p. m.
Arrive Honolulu from Wahiawa and Lihala—9:15 a. m., 11:40 p. m., 5:31 p. m., 11:10 p. m.
The Haleiwa Limited, a two-hour train (only first class tickets honored), leaves Honolulu every Sunday at 8:36 a. m.; returning, arrives in Honolulu at 10:10 p. m. The Limited stops only at Pearl City and Waianae outward, and Waianae, Waipahu and Pearl City inward.
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KOULAU RAILWAY TIME TABLE

DAILY, EXCEPT SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND HOLIDAYS

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Arrive Kahuku at 1:00 P.M.
Returning:
Leave Kahuku for Laie, Haunala, Punaluu, Kahana and Way Stations at 1:45 P.M.
Arrive Kahana at 2:45 P.M.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND HOLIDAYS

Arrive Kahuku at 11:58 A.M.
Leave Kahana for Punaluu, Haunala, Laie, Kahuku and Way Stations at 11:00 A.M.
1:30 P.M.
2:15 P.M.

Leave Kahuku for Laie, Haunala, Punaluu, Kahana and Way Stations at 12:35 P.M.
3:00 P.M.

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